4TH SENATE DISTRICT

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

STATE SENATOR LENA C. TAYLOR



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Week of June 29—July 5



COMMUNITY ALERT

Convicted of a Felony?

Join Clean Slate Milwaukee for a community discussion about how to remove barriers to employment and end employment discrimination.

July 16 at 5:30 PM at 2212 North MLK Drive

To register call (414) 274-0925

Dear Friend,

Thank you for reading the legislative update. I hope you find the information provided here useful.

As Always, I'm Here to Serve!



HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY!



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This Friday we recognize the 238th anniversary of our Independence Day! This weekend is the perfect time to celebrate our nation and reflect on the freedoms we cherish the most. However, over the past three and a half years under Governor Walker and GOP rule many of our freedoms and values in Wis-

consin have come under attack. An agenda that includes voter disenfranchisement, slashes to health care and education spending, and nothing done to address soaring incarceration rates or gun violence has put up roadblocks in front of many Wisconsinites pursuing their American Dream. This 4th of July is the perfect time to resolve to stand up for the freedoms that our forefathers fought and bled for, and in the coming months, I look forward to standing up with you to protect the progressive values and fundamental rights that every citizen deserves. Together we can all achieve the American Dream. Happy Independence Day!

FOCUSED ON THE FOURTH

Although the 2013-14 session officially ended in April, my offices in Madison and Milwaukee are still busy working hard as ever to promote positive change in our district and state! Both offices collaborate to address any and all constituent questions and concerns, organize and participate in community and faith outreach, and research legislation for next session (starts in Jan.). With



over 20 interns and volunteers working with us this summer, we are always ready to serve! While no new bills can be introduced until next session, there is still plenty to be done off the Senate floor. Whether it is working to build a new park on the northwest side of our district, collaborate with the city and county to create new jobs, or find solutions to repair foreclosed houses while connecting people to housing, my office is committed to addressing the issues that affect you the most. If you have a concern or idea—my staff and I work to ensure that each constituent's voice and opinion is being heard. As always, we offices are here to serve!



Mark Your Calendars!

Coffee with the Senator

When: Thursday, July 10th 9 AM to 11 AM Where: Coffee Makes You Black 2803 N Teutonia Ave

District Listening Session

When: Tuesday, July 29th 5:30 PM – 7 PM Where: District Office 2602 West Silver Spring Drive

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PROTECTING THE RIGHT TO VOTE

This past weekend, I had the pleasure of attending the Rainbow Push Coalition & Citizenship Education Fund's 43rd annual international convention in Chicago, which focused on the issue of voting rights. The Rainbow PUSH Coalition's "Right-To-Vote" Campaign works



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to amend the United States' Constitution to explicitly grant every citizen the right to vote. While 7 of the 17 amendments to the United States Constitution pertain to voting, none specifically allow universal voting rights. In Wisconsin we have seen our rights tested countless times this past session. Walker and his Republican allies have pushed legislation for voter IDs, limited voting hours, and shortened early voting periods. By explicitly granting voting rights to each and every citizen, we can ensure that even the most quiet voice in Wisconsin has the chance to cast their ballot... and every vote is counted.

SUN SAFETY



Summer is here! While that's good news for many of our citizens, it's also important to remember that the sun can also be dangerous and must take measures to be safe! UV (ultraviolet) rays are the main cause of sunburn, long-term skin damage, and skin cancer. Although the ozone layer protects us from the much of the sun's harmful radiation, some UV rays still end

up on the surface of our planet, where they can cause harm to those who aren't prepared for it. Here are some basic safety guidelines to protect yourselves from harmful UV radiation: always wear sunscreen when going outside (SPF 30 or greater is recommended), wear water resistant sunscreen when swimming. and lastly, stay hydrated and take a break when it gets too hot. Have a wonderful summer!

Wise Words of the Week!

Contact Us! We Enjoy Hearing From You!

"In the truest sense, freedom cannot be bestowed; it must be achieved."

- Franklin D. Roosevelt



"You can't separate peace from freedom because no one can be at peace unless he has his freedom."

- Malcolm X